

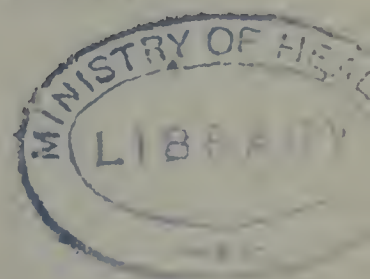
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PREFACE

To the Chairman and Members of the
CLOWNE RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I beg to submit my Report on the Health and Sanitary conditions of your district for the year 1953.

Apart from an outbreak of Measles which occurred mostly in the parishes of Clowne and Creswell, the health of the district has been satisfactory.

A considerable number of new houses have been completed but there is still some overcrowding in the area.

I have much pleasure in acknowledging the co-operation of the staff and I wish to express my appreciation of the continual help and support which you have yourselves given throughout the year.

I am,

Your obedient Servant,

A. H. WEAR,

Medical Officer of Health

"Dale Close"
100 Chesterfield Road South
Mansfield

STATISTICS OF THE AREA

Area (Acres)	13,429
Population (Census 1931)	17,720
" mid-year (Registrar-General) 1952	19,200
Number of inhabited houses (end of 1952) according to Rate Books	5,968
Rateable value 1952	£85,144
Sum represented by a Penny-rate 1953	£334

SOCIAL CONDITIONS

The chief occupations of the inhabitants of the district are coal mining and agriculture. There has been very little unemployment. New houses have been completed more rapidly than in previous years but there is still some overcrowding.

Scabies.

No treatments had to be carried out at the Poolsbrook Centre for this complaint.

Verminous Heads.

Five cases (one adult and four children) were sent to the Disinfestation Centre for treatment.

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS—

Live Births—

	<i>Total</i>	<i>M</i>	<i>F</i>	<div style="display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle; font-size: 3em; line-height: 1;">{</div> <div style="display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle; padding-left: 10px;"> Birth-rate per 1,000 of the estimated resident population, 16.6 (crude). Rate per 1,000 total (live and still) births 11.8. Corrected birth rate 17.9. </div>
Legitimate	319	158	161	
Illegitimate	14	9	5	
Still Births	4	2	2	

	<i>Total</i>	<i>M</i>	<i>F</i>	<div style="display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle; font-size: 3em; line-height: 1;">{</div> <div style="display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle; padding-left: 10px;"> Death-rate per 1,000 of the estimated resident population, 8.5 (crude). Corrected death-rate 9.0. </div>
DEATHS	164	91	73	

There were no deaths from Pregnancy or Child Birth.

DEATHS FROM :—

Measles (all ages)	—
Whooping Cough (all ages)	—
Cancer (all ages)	26

DEATH-RATE OF INFANTS UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE :—

All infants, per 1,000 live births	21
Legitimate infants, per 1,000 legitimate live births	21
Illegitimate infants, per 1,000 illegitimate live births	—

7 babies died under one year, 4 of these were less than three weeks old and 3 were not more than two days old. Broncho-pneumonia, bronchitis and prematurity were the main causes of death.

DEATHS FROM :—

Coronary thrombosis—7 females and 10 males. Their ages varied from 47 to 81 years.

Tuberculosis of the lungs—4 males and 1 female. It is interesting to note that the ages at death from this disease are on the average much older than they were twenty years ago.

Cancer of the lung—6 males and 2 females. Recent research has shown that cigarette smoking is very probably a pre-disposing cause of the disease. The ages at death from cancer ranged from 38 to 81 years.

Road accidents caused 1 death.

Of the 164 persons who died in this district during the year 87 (over 50%) lived to over 70 years of age and of these 34 died when over 80 years of age and 2 (1 male and 1 female) lived to be over 90 years of age.

Birth-rate, Death-rate and Analysis of Mortality during the year 1953

	Birth Rate per 1000 Total Population		Annual Death Rate per 1000 Population					Rate per 1000 Live Births	
	Live Births	Still Births	All causes	Enteric Fever	Small-pox	Whooping-cough	Diphtheria	Influenza	Total deaths under 1 year
England and Wales	15.5	0.35	11.4	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.16	26.8
160 County Boroughs & Great Towns, including London ...	17	0.43	12.2	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.15	30.8
160 Smaller Towns (1931 ad- justed Populations 25000-50000)	15.7	0.34	11.3	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.17	24.3
London	17.5	0.38	12.5	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.15	24.8
CLOWNE R.D.	17.9	0.2	9	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.04	21

GENERAL PROVISIONS OF HEALTH SERVICES IN THE AREA

Laboratory Facilities

No changes or developments have been made in connection with laboratory facilities. The number of types of specimens dealt with by the County Laboratories were as follows :—

	<i>Pos.</i>	<i>Neg</i>	<i>Total</i>
C. Diphtheriae	—	1	1
Vincent's Angina organisms	—	1	1
Haemolytic Streptococci	—	7	7
Sputa for Tubercle Bacilli	—	5	5
Water	—	—	—
Ice Cream, Methylene Blue Test	—	—	—
Milk :—			
Methylene Blue Test	—	—	—
Phosphatase Test	—	2	2
Tubercle Bacilli, Biological Test	—	2	2
Clinical Specimens	1	5	6
Totals	1	23	24

AMBULANCE FACILITIES IN THE AREA

When the National Health Act came into force the ambulance service was taken over by the County Council. Chesterfield is now the central depot (Tel. No. 4141).

MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE AND CLINICS

These are under the control of the County Council. A Maternity and Child Welfare Centre is held every week on Tuesday afternoon in a Hall attached to the Methodist Chapel, Clowne.

TUBERCULOSIS CLINICS

These are held at Brimington Road, Chesterfield, on Tuesday and Friday from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and from 2 to 4 p.m.

VENEREAL CLINICS

Chesterfield Royal Hospital :—

Males : Friday, 2.30 to 4.30 p.m.

Tuesday, 5 to 6.45 p.m.

Females : Tuesday, 2.30 to 4.30 p.m.

Friday, 5 to 6.30 p.m.

Estimated population	....	....	....	6117
Total inhabited dwellings	....	....	....	1693
Houses having a piped supply	....	....	....	1693
Houses with a stand pipe supply	....	....	....	Nil

Parish of Whitwell

Estimated population	....	....	....	....	4652
Total inhabited dwellings	....	....	....	....	1325
Houses having a piped supply	....	....	....	....	1319
Houses with stand pipe supply	....	....	....	....	6

Parish of Barlborough

Estimated population	....	....	....	....	2198
Total inhabited dwellings	....	....	....	....	610
Houses having a piped supply	....	....	....	....	609
Houses with a stand pipe supply	....	....	....	....	1

SEWAGE DISPOSAL AND SEWERAGE WORKS

The new sewage works at Mount Pleasant, Clowne (Cockhouse and West Lea) are rapidly nearing completion and we hope they will be opened in 1954. Arrangements have been made with the N.C.B. for the 70 cottages at West Lea, which drain into the Cockhouse Works, to have water closets and baths installed. These houses will then be brought up to modern standards of sanitation.

HOUSING

As mentioned in the Surveyors report 120 houses were built by the Council and 14 by private enterprise during 1953.

Three dwellings—1 house and 2 caravans—were condemned during the year.

There are still a large number of persons living in houses which have been condemned in previous years. In view of the new housing drive by the Government to condemn unfit houses I would earnestly recommend the re-housing of the tenants and the pulling down of the property as soon as possible.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT. SECTION 47.

No action was taken under this act to compulsorily remove an old person to hospital during 1953. The problem of the care of old people becomes more difficult each year with the aging of the population.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

An account of this will be found in the Sanitary Inspector's report.

Cases of Infectious Diseases notified during the year 1953

Notifiable Disease	NUMBER OF CASES NOTIFIED												Total cases notified in each Parish in the District				Total cases removed to hospital	Total Deaths		
	At all ages	All ages—Years											Barlborough	Clowne	Creswell	Whitwell				
		Under 1	1 to 2	2 to 3	3 to 4	4 to 5	5 to 10	10 to 15	15 to 20	20 to 35	35 to 45	45 to 65							65 and up	
Small-Pox
Cholera
Plague
Diphtheria...
Erysipelas
Scarlet Fever
Malaria
Enteric Fever
Encephalitis Lethargica
Puerperal Pyrexia
Poliomyelitis
Pulmonary Tuberculosis
Other forms of Tuberculosis
Pneumonia
Cerebro-Spinal Fever
Dysentery
Measles
Whooping Cough
TOTALS ...	431	12	34	52	69	53	159	10	6	14	4	12	6	29	195	149	58	33	5	

PREVALENCE OF, AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES

Diphtheria.

No notifications of this disease were received.

The following table shows how the number of notifications of diphtheria have decreased during the last 13 years.

<i>Year</i>	<i>Cases</i>	<i>Year</i>	<i>Cases</i>
1940	57	1948	1
1941	87	1949	Nil.
1942	10	1950	Nil.
1943	9	1951	Nil.
1944	7	1952	Nil.
1945	Nil	1953	Nil.
1946	1		

It is very important that there should be no lessening of the immunisation campaign. Owing to the absence of diphtheria some parents are inclined to allow their children to be unprotected by immunisation. If they continue to take this attitude there may easily be a return of the disease. If a non immunised child catches diphtheria their chances of dying are seven times greater than those of an immunised child.

School children can be immunised at school, and infants either by their own doctor or at the Infant Welfare Clinics. In 1953, 27 school children and 139 infants were injected for the first time and many have received booster doses.

Scarlet Fever.

31 cases were notified, a slight increase on last year's figure. The cases were mild and there were no deaths. The schools are undoubtedly the chief channel through which the disease is spread. 24 out of the 31 cases notified were of school age.

Measles

343 cases were notified. These were mostly in the parishes of Clowne and Creswell. The outbreak started in February at Creswell and at the end of April in Clowne and continued until the end of June.

Acute Poliomyelitis.

All the 4 cases notified were mild in character and of the non-paralytic type. There were no deaths. Two of the cases were twins of four years of age.

An arrangement has been made with Worksop Hospital whereby a case of poliomyelitis occurring in the Clowne R.D. is notified to the hospital and operations for tonsils and adenoids are suspended for three weeks on children from Clowne.

Food Poisoning.

2 notifications were received.

One of the patients a boy living at Creswell aged $3\frac{1}{2}$ years of age was found to be suffering from gastro-enteritis. Bacilli salmonella Typhimurium were found in his motions. No source of this infection was discovered.

The other case, a boy of 16 years, lived in the parish of Clowne. While paying a visit to friends outside the Clowne area he had some apricot flan made with synthetic cream, and he, along with three other persons who had eaten the flan, developed diarrhoea, vomiting and pain in the abdomen. No organisms were found in his motions.

There was an outbreak of food poisoning due to staphylococcus Aureus at Sheffield which was traced to a wedding breakfast eaten at Whitwell in the Clowne Rural District on Saturday, August 22nd. Only two persons, out of the fifteen who attended the meal from this district were affected.

The catering arrangements were carried out by a Worksop firm and I understand from the Worksop M.O.H. that the throat of one of the girls employed by the firm concerned gave a positive result to staphylococcus aureus. This organism was also found in the synthetic cream and in the cooked ham which had been served at the breakfast.

Tuberulosis.

The following table gives particulars of new cases of tuberculosis and of all deaths from the diseases during the year—

Age Period in years			New Cases				Deaths			
			Pulmonary		Non-Pul'ary		Pulmonary		Non-Pul'ar y	
			M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
0	...	...						
1	...	...	2							
5	...	...						
10	...	...						
15	...	...	1	2						
20	...	...		2						
25	...	...	2	4						
35	...	...	4							
45	...	...	3	2				1		
55	...	...	1				2			
65 & upwards			2				2			
TOTAL			15	10			4	1		

The phthisis death rate is .26 per 1,000 of the population.

FACTORIES ACT

There are 33 factories registered in the Clowne Rural District which are inspected from time to time, and action taken as is necessary. Conditions generally were found to be satisfactory.

1. **Inspections** for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Sanitary Inspectors).

<i>Premises</i>	<i>No. on Register</i>	<i>No. of Inspections</i>	<i>Number of Written Occup's notices prosecuted</i>	
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authority	4	9	Nil	Nil
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by Local Authority	26	267	3	Nil
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises)	—	—	—	—
TOTAL	30	276	3	—

2. Cases in which **Defects** were found.

<i>Particulars</i>	<i>Number Found</i>	<i>Number Remedied</i>	<i>Referred To H.M. Inspector</i>	<i>Referred By H.M. Inspector</i>
Want of cleanliness (S.1)	5	5	—	2
Ineffective drainage of floors	1	1	—	2
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7) :				
(a) Insufficient	3	3	—	2
(b) Unsuitable or defective	7	7	—	1
(c) Not separate for sexes	—	—	—	—
Other offences against the Act (Not including offences relating to Outwork)	—	—	—	—
TOTAL	16	16	—	5

3. Outwork.

Nature of Work	No. of Out-workers	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council
Wearing Apparel, making, etc.....	1	—
TOTAL	....	—

Council Offices,
CLOWNE.

**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SURVEYOR
AND SENIOR SANITARY INSPECTOR
for the year, 1953.**

To the CHAIRMAN and MEMBERS of the
CLOWNE RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour and pleasure of submitting for your attention my 7th Annual Report.

The work in my Department made satisfactory progress during the year. I have reported all the work carried out by my Staff as extensively as possible and I hope it will prove to be a useful reference.

I wish to thank the Chairman and Members for their encouragement, Mr. Dansie and the Staff for their loyalty and the Officers of other Authorities and Departments for their kind co-operation and assistance.

I am,

Your obedient Servant,

ARTHUR A. SHORT.

Surveyor and Senior Sanitary Inspector.

ORGANISATION AND STAFF

Technical and Clerical Staff.

Additional Sanitary Inspector	Mr. L. G. Dansie
Junior Assistant	Mr. G. Rogers.
Typist	Mrs. C. Peck.
Clerk of Works	Mr. H. V. Money.
General Foreman	Mr. W. Hamilton
Junior Clerk	B. Locke.

During the year an appointment of a Clerk of Works was made and in November he left your employ. The vacancy thus created was filled by Mr. H. V. Money. Mr. W. Hamilton was appointed General Foreman.

The inspection of the District, day to day enquiries and routine work and complaint investigations has continued. This is becoming difficult owing to the increasing number of properties in the District.

Manual Workers.

Housing Department

Joiner	....	....	....	....	2
Plumbers	....	....	....	....	2
Bricklayers	....	....	....	....	4
Plasterers	....	....	....	....	1
Painters	....	....	....	....	3
Painters Lad	....	....	....	....	2
Lads	....	....	....	....	1

Scavenging

Drivers	6
Ashmen	18
Tip Attendants	2
Labourers	2

Garage

Mechanic	1
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Sewage Disposal

Works Attendants	4
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Swimming Baths

Resident Bath Superintendent	1
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Rats and Mice

Rodent Operative	1
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HOUSING

General

During the year 120 houses were completed and let by the Council and 14 houses built by private enterprise for owner occupation.

At the end of December 116 dwellings were in course of construction, and tenders for the erection of a further 4 houses were let and layouts for a further 4 houses were in course of preparation.

The number of dwellings occupied at Southgate Hutted Camp was 4 in December. The number of dwellings occupied on the Bevin Estate was 42 in December and 9 dwellings were demolished during the year.

Council Houses

In December the Council had under its control 1,488 permanent houses and 46 temporary dwellings.

Consequent upon my Condition Survey of January, 1953, 251 houses and 62 bungalows were painted during the year.

<i>Location</i>	<i>Work done</i>	<i>Properties</i>
Salvin Crescent	Painting	5 houses
Portland Avenue, Creswell	"	12 "
Wood Avenue	"	40 "
Manor Road	"	8 "
Clowne Road	"	32 "
Churchfields	"	24 "
Hickenwood Lane	"	12 "
Hickenwood Crescent	"	12 "
Franklin Avenue	"	10 "
Thorpe Avenue	"	11 "
Mansfield Road	"	55 "
Crown Street	"	6 "
Franklin Crescent	"	24 "
West End OPB	"	6 bungalows
Manor Road	"	6 "
Portland Avenue/Skinner Street	"	44 "
East Street, Creswell	"	6 "

3,544 repairs were carried out to Council houses during the year consequent upon complaints.

Privately Owned Houses

The summary and analysis of work done to privately owned houses is reported in the appendix. There has been a general relaxation of control of building material and labour and some owners of property have taken advantage of this. This is noticeable in the number of properties being painted and repaired. The long awaited amended legislation controlling rents should give an

incentive to landlords to carry out necessary repairs and to the far seeing house owner, Improvement Grants under the provision of the Housing Act, 1949 are proving to be a convenient way of bringing the amenities of the modern house to an otherwise out dated but structurally sound dwelling.

Improvements Grants

There were 6 applications for Improvement Grants. 5 were approved by your Council and 2 were completed by the year end ; in each of the cases baths and modern firegrates were installed providing hot water for the kitchen and personal washing.

Building Licences

No. of building licences issued during 1953 (1136a)	....	14
No. of building licences issued for the erection of dwellings		12

WATER SUPPLIES

The purity of the water supplies in the Clowne Rural District continues to give every satisfaction.

New mains and incidental works have been completed to service 134 new houses on the housing sites in each of the parishes.

SEWAGE DISPOSAL

Parish of Clowne

Hollin Hill Sewage Works.

With the completion and occupation of more houses in the south east drainage area, the Hollin Hill Sewage Works are reaching full working capacity.

South West Drainage Area

The south-west drainage area of the parish, which is served by the West Lea, John Street and Cockhouse sewage disposal plants, will shortly be served by an up-to-date works combining the three areas in one plant at Low Road, Clowne.

Parish of Creswell

The whole of the Parish of Creswell sewage discharges at the Hennymoor Sewage Disposal Works.

The scheme for the installation of the new disposal plant was well in hand by the end of the year and a starting date was anticipated early in the new year.

Parish of Whitwell

Whitwell Sewage Works

These modernised works continue to give satisfactory results.

Hodthorpe Sewage Works

The Hodthorpe Sewage Works are showing signs of overloading. This plant must be modified at some near future date as the present effluent is not satisfactory.

Whitwell Common Disposal Plant

This small disposal plant treats the drainage from sink wastes only and is working satisfactorily.

Parish of Barlborough

Barlborough Sewage Works

The greater part of the populated area of Barlborough is drained to the disposal plant on the south east side of Chesterfield Road.

This plant is overloaded and unsatisfactory. A scheme to modernise the works was submitted by the Consulting Engineer and was approved by your Council, during the year.

Barbers Row Disposal Plant

This plant deals with the sink wastes from Barbers Row and 2 water closets from a nearby licensed premises.

Wood Lane Disposal Plant

This plant deals with the sink wastes and one water closet from the properties in Wood Lane.

GENERAL

Flooding in Elmtun Road, Creswell and Station Road, Whitwell continues to give anxiety.

In Creswell, the approval of the Ministry was anticipated early in the new year to carry out extensive modifications to the existing sewerage system in conjunction with the proposed sewage works.

In Whitwell it is proposed to deal with the flooding and the servicing of the Station Road Housing Site as one scheme.

The sewerage of the Council's new housing estates progresses with their general development.

CLEANSING AND SALVAGE

Cleansing

The cleansing of the District comprises the emptying of dustbins the removal, emptying and disposal of the contents of pail closets, the removal of the contents of privy middens with the cleansing and disinfecting of the compartments and the emptying of cesspools.

These services make the most important contribution to the general health of the community, and they have not been carried out without difficulty. The mining, building and agricultural industries in the district are unfortunately more attractive to labour than the cleansing work of the Council which consists of the unpleasant but very necessary tasks mentioned above.

Salvage

The value of salvage and waste paper collected and sold during the year is shown by the following table.

<i>Year</i>	<i>Value</i>			<i>Year</i>	<i>Value</i>		
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
1947	485	0 0	1951	....	1,540	0 0
1948	597	0 0	1952	....	934	11 2
1949	567	0 0	1953	....	481	15 0
1950	405	0 0				

The reduction in the value of salvage sold is mainly due to the fall in the price of waste paper.

Summary of Work Carried out by the Cleansing Department

<i>Truck/Freighter</i>			<i>No. of bins</i>	<i>Privies</i>	<i>Ash-pits</i>	<i>Pails</i>	<i>Cess-pools</i>	<i>Loads</i>
Lorry 2	....	....	5955	962	929	10980	174	—
Lorry 3	....	....	11755	1079	667	688	10	—
Lorry 4	8595	661	7	—	—	—
Freighter from June, 1953			439
Freighter 3	53163	279	158	—	—	725
„ 5	98611	—	—	—	—	1103
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			268991	2981	1761	11668	184	2267
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PLANNING AND BUILDING BYELAWS

Details of Planning Applications are as follow :—

Brought forward from 1952	....	....	....	....	6
Received during 1953	....	....	....	....	202
Approvals permanent	....	....	....	....	168
Approvals temporary	....	....	....	....	10
Refusals	....	....	....	....	11
Withdrawals	....	....	....	....	6
Outstanding	....	....	....	....	13
No. of inspections made of proposed buildings	....	....	....	....	947
No. of building completed	....	....	....	....	150

In no case had it been necessary to take statutory action in respect of any contravention of the building Byelaws.

From time to time it has been necessary to intervene informally where it was found during inspection of the district that buildings were being erected without the prior consent of the Council.

PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936

General

During the year 182 complaints were received and 3,263 inspections made investigating and abating nuisances. 198 informal notices were sent during the year and 107 statutory notices.

Conversion of Pail Closets and Privy Middens

The conversion of the readily convertible closets in the district has continued.

Many closet conversions are needed in Clowne but this work cannot be carried out until a more satisfactory method of sewage disposal has been installed.

Distribution of Conversions Carried Out

<i>Parish</i>		<i>Privies</i>	<i>Pails</i>	<i>Premises</i>
Barlborough	—	8	8
Clowne	—	2	2
Whitwell	—	1	1
Creswell	—	1	1
		—	12	12

Dustbins

The Council have supplied 161 dustbins to private owners and to Council houses.

63 notices were sent to owners in respect of defective dustbins.

CARAVANS

The number of caravans in the District used as permanent residences is 5.

INFECTION AND DISINFECTION

Routine enquiries were made in 31 cases of notifiable infectious sickness and 31 visits were made in consequence of notification.

Disinfection of houses after cases of infectious sickness has been carried out during the year.

RODENT CONTROL

Whilst the incidence of rat infestation is not known to be high in the district, infestations have been found from time to time whilst investigating complaints. It is the duty of the local authority to take necessary steps to ascertain the cause of infestation in its district.

Summary of Work of Rodent Control

<i>Locations</i>	<i>No. of inspec- tions</i>	<i>No. of man-holes treated</i>	<i>Baits</i>	<i>Takes</i>	<i>Bodies recovered</i>
Council) property)	879	303)		
Main Sewers)			3138	1766	330
Dwellinghouses	3931	159)		

INFESTATION AND DISINFESTATION

4 complaints have been received about bug infestation during the year. Disinfestation was carried out by the Council.

MEAT AND FOOD INSPECTION

Meat Inspection.

During the year the number of pigs killed at the Bacon Factory was 17,004. The time spent on this important branch of my Department's work increased accordingly. Full inspection of carcasses and organs was maintained. 228 visits were made to the Factory and 7-tons 10-cwt. 1-qr. 8-lbs. meat condemned as unfit for human consumption.

Diseases for which carcasses were wholly or partially destroyed

<i>Disease</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>Disease</i>	<i>No.</i>
Tuberculosis	.... 331	External injury	.... 14
Cysts	.... 13	Cirrhosis	.... 8
Fever	.... 5	Jaundice	.... 2
Pleurisy	.... 539	Moribund	.... 9
Pneumonia	.... 37	Abscess	.... 5
Oedema	.... 8	Septicaemia	.... 2

21 cases of generalised tuberculosis were found resulting in the complete condemnation of the entire carcasses.

A high standard of cleanliness in the methods of the transportation of meat has been maintained.

FOOD INSPECTION

Premises concerned in the preparation and distribution of food are visited regularly and 654 inspections were made.

Food submitted for examination and voluntary surrender.

Tinned Foods	<i>No. of tins.</i>	Fresh Foods	<i>lbs. ozs</i>
Milk	127	Pork sausage	25 8
Jam	4	Beef sausage	6 0
Tomatoes	583	Cheese	76 0
Meat	162	Cod fillets	58 0
Fruit	447	Cod fillets	2 dozen
Fish	769	Kippers	2 „
Soup	7	Chocolate Teacakes	20 „
Kidneys	16		
Beans	43		
Peas	64		
Pickle	4		
Pork	4		
Ham	21		
Prunes	26		
Mincemeat	3		
Ox Broth	2		
Ketchup	2		

Strained foods	3
Meat pastes	3
Spaghetti	4
Baby foods	7

Method of disposal of condemned food :—

(a) Meat is burnt in an incinerator.

(b) tinned foods are disposed of on refuse tip.

Cafes, Restaurants and Canteens

There are 9 cafes, 10 restaurants and 24 social industrial and school canteens on the register. Regular inspections of food preparing premises have been made during the year and no contravention was found.

Ice Cream

The registration of a further 4 premises during the year for the sale of ice cream brings the total number of shops to 43 where this increasingly popular foodstuff can be obtained.

WORKPLACES

Factories Act, 1937

There are now 30 factories registered in the district.

Bakehouses.

The eight bakehouses in the district have been regularly inspected and no serious contraventions were found.

Shops

200 visits were paid to shops in the District during the year. 4 contraventions were found. The co-operation of the shopkeepers concerned enabled defects to be remedied without recourse to statutory procedure.

Storage of Petroleum

27 licences were issued for the storage of 24,000 gallons of petrol. Three new tanks were installed and tested during the year.

CRESWELL SWIMMING BATHS

On the 1st April the Baths were open to the Public. During the season monthly samples of water were taken from the pool and were found to be consistently satisfactory.

The Baths proved to be a most successful and popular attraction in the District.

The attendance during the season was as follows :—

Adults	....	....	....	....	3087
Children	....	....	....	....	13750
School Children	....	....	....	....	18963

Slipper baths	....	....	....	....	1682
Spectators....	....	....	....	....	1730
County Youth Service	....	....	....	....	305
Adult Season Tickets	....	....	....	....	10
Junior Season Tickets		....	....	....	32

The school children mentioned above were drawn from the following schools.

Creswell County Junior Mixed	Creswell County Senior Mixed
Clowne County Senior Mixed	Clowne County Junior Mixed
Barlborough Junior Mixed	Whitwell County Senior Mixed
Hodthorpe County Junior	Killamarsh End Junior Mixed
Mixed	
Eckington Senior Mixed	Birley Junior Mixed
Eckington Cams	Beighton Junior Mixed.
Eckington County Junior	Frechville County Senior
Mixed	Mixed
Whaley Thorns County	Frechville County Junior
Junior mixed	Mixed.
Whaley Thorns County	Beighton County Senior Mixed
Senior Mixed	Killamarsh County Junior
Killamarsh County Senior	Mixed.
Mixed	
Hackenthorpe East	

Two school galas were held during the season at the Baths, one entirely run by the Creswell Schools and the second sponsored by the Council, a third was run by the Creswell Swimming Club. 10 water polo matches were held.

It was found necessary to re-site the pay box to nearer the pool in order that a closer supervision could be maintained during bathing sessions.

The interior walls, doors and metal work were painted in an attractive colour scheme. Other work completed at the close of the season was the renewal of steps and wood work to the diving platform.

APPENDIX

	<i>No. of Inspections made by Sanitary Inspector</i>	<i>No. of Notices served</i>		<i>No. of nuisances abated without Notice</i>
		<i>Informal</i>	<i>Legal</i>	
Closets and Ashpits				
Deft. Privies, Pail closets and (not for conversion)				
Ashpits	48	9	2	17
Conversion of Privies to W.C.s.	—	—	—	—
Conversion of Pail Closets to W.C.s.	48	—	5	—
Deft Water closets	126	18	1	28
Provision of additional water closet	18	2	—	—
Provision of Portable Ashbins	188	40	23	45
Dirty closets	24	—	—	4
Drainage				
No Disconnection of waste pipes	—	—	—	—
Deft. Waste pipe, traps, inlets and drains	108	5	4	22
Drains obstructed	201	25	5	48
Other Defects				
Paving of Courts and Yards	110	6	6	12
Roofs, Eaves-Spouts and Down spouts	438	21	22	85
Sinks	85	4	6	15
Windows	190	3	2	57
Dampness	256	21	18	42
Water supply	15	1	—	—
Overcrowding	89	—	—	—
Foul condition of houses	12	2	—	1
Offensive accumulations	30	1	—	1
Animals improperly kept	10	3	—	3
Pigsties	5	—	—	1
Urinals	8	—	—	—
Nuisances not specified above	1254	37	13	476
	<u>3263</u>	<u>198</u>	<u>107</u>	<u>857</u>

		<i>No. on Register</i>	<i>Inspections Made</i>	<i>Notices Served</i>	<i>Nuisances abated with or without Notice</i>
Milk Distributors	15	32	—	—
Bakehouses	8	246	4	4
Slaughterhouses	2	228	1	1
Offensive Trades	Nil	—	—	—
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Dairies registered under the Milk and Dairies Regulations : 1

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